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Takashi SUNDA, et al.

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MULTI-WAY INPUT DEVICE AND OPERATING FAILURE AVOIDANCE METHOD

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## RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Mail Stop Amendment Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

Noting the Office Action of November 1, 2005 wherein restriction has been required, Applicants hereby elect the species 1 (illustrated in Figure 3-19, according to the Examiner's characterization) and identifies claims 1-10 and 40 for continued prosecution in the above-identified application. Applicants reserve the right to add additional claims at a later time that are directed to the same species.

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To the extent necessary, a petition for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. 1.136 is hereby made. Please charge any shortage in fees due in connection with the filing of this paper, including extension of time fees, to Deposit Account 500417 and please credit any excess fees to such deposit account.

Respectfully submitted,

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